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Mr. K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary
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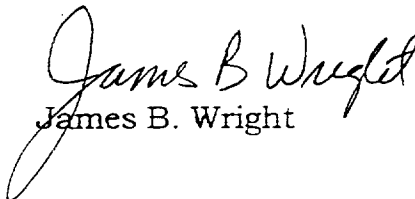
RE: Docket No. 01-00493
BellSouth Tariff to Apply a Terminating Switched Access Rate to
Calls Received Without the Calling Party Number

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed please find an original and thirteen copies of Sprint Communications Company L.P. Petition to Intervene in the above-mentioned docket, together with a check for the twenty five dollar filing fee.

A copy of this Petition is being served on counsel for BellSouth. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


James B. Wright

Enclosure

cc: Guy Hicks (with enclosure)
Laura Sykora
Kaye Odum

BEFORE THE
TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE: BellSouth Tariff to Apply a Terminating Switched Access
 Rate to Calls Received Without the Calling Party Number
 Docket No.01-00493

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.
PETITION TO INTERVENE

Sprint Communications Company L.P. ("Sprint"), pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310 and T.C.A. § 65-2-107, petitions the Authority for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding, and in support thereof states as follows:

1. Sprint is a Delaware partnership authorized to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as an interexchange and competitive local exchange company, furnishes telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority.

2. This Petition is filed more than seven (7) days before any scheduled hearing in this matter.

3. Sprint respectfully requests that it be granted leave to intervene and participate as a party in the above-captioned proceeding in that as an interexchange and competitive local exchange company, the decisions regarding the proposed change in the rate for terminating a switched access call which is the subject of this proceeding may directly affect Sprint's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests.

4. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the intervention.

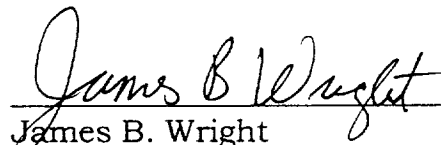
WHEREFORE, United prays:

1. That it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party.

2. That it have such other and further relief to which it may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.



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